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BK021530 Delhi ISI Diplomatic Information Service in English 1525 GMT 2 Jul 82

[Text] [no dateline given] The following statement was made by the official spokesman on 2 July:

"Ten years ago today India and Pakistan signed a historic document at Simla. During this decade the Simla Agreement has served as the basis for the normalisation of relations between the two countries and for the development of bilateral relations in all spheres to the mutual benefit of both peoples. Continued adherence by both countries to the Simla Agreement both in letter and in spirit will greatly contribute to the maintenance of a peaceful and tension-free atmosphere in the region as well as to the well being of the peoples of the two countries.

The Government of India reiterates their commitment to the Simla Agreement on the occasion of its 10th anniversary.

IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTER MEETS GANDHI, DEPARTS

BK021708 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 2 Jul 82

[Text] Iraqi Foreign Minister Sa'dun Hammadi today gave Prime Minister Mrs Gandhi a detailed account of the arrangements his government is making for the coming nonaligned summit in Baghdad. The meeting is scheduled for September. Hammadi also discussed with Mrs Gandhi the present situation in the war between Iran and Iraq and the situation in Lebanon.

According to an official spokesman, the visiting foreign minister handed over to Mrs Gandhi a letter from President Saddam Husayn of Iraq. He also conveyed to her the Iraqi president's greetings and good wishes which Mrs Gandhi reciprocated.

Hammadi left for home soon after his meeting with the prime minister.

Earlier, at an official-level meeting, Indian and Iraqi delegations discussed the drafts of the position papers relating to the nonaligned summit.

ARMY CHIEF RETURNS FROM SOVIET VISIT 5 JULY

BK050644 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0240 GMT 5 Jul 82

[Text] Chief of Army Staff Gen Krishna Rao returned to New Delhi this morning after a week-long visit to the Soviet Union. Among others, Soviet charge d'affaires (Senibolas) was at the airport to receive him.

RAO COMMENTS ON RELATIONS WITH CHINA, ASEAN

BK030630 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0240 GMT 3 Jul 82

[Text] External Affairs Minister Narasimha Rao has said that the cooperation between India and China in different fields is improving through contacts and exchanges. In an interview with a Hong Kong weekly, Rao said India wishes to improve her relations with China and solve all outstanding bilateral problems.

On the Sino-India border question, Rao said that two rounds of talks between officials have been held so far. He said in the last session, held in May, the two sides addressed the differences between the two countries more directly and expressed their views in details.

The interview, which took place in Delhi, covered a wide range of subjects including Indian-American relations, Mrs Gandhi's forthcoming visit to America, India-Pakistan and India-ASEAN relations.

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DOST: FLEXIBILITY SHOWN IN GENEVA TALKS

LD062006 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 6 Jul 82

[Text] The cooperation and organization department of the Council of Ministers reports that the periodic DRA Council of Ministers Executive Committee session was held yesterday at the headquarters of the Council of Ministers under the chairmanship of Soltan Ali Keshtmand.

DRA Minister of Foreign Affairs Shah Mohammad Dost presented to the Council of Ministers Executive Committee a comprehensive report about the DRA delegation's participation in the nonaligned countries' Coordinating Bureau session in Havana, the UN special session on disarmament and the talks between the Afghan and Pakistani delegations that took place in Geneva as a result of the efforts of Diego Cordovez, representative of the UN secretary general. The report was approved.

Shah Mohammad Dost said that the DRA delegation took an active part in all discussions by the foreign ministers at the nonaligned countries' Coordinating Bureau meeting in Havana. In the special session of the UN General Assembly which was devoted to disarmament, the Afghan delegation took a clear and principled stand on all aspects of disarmament including [words indistinct] and its prevention. The DRA representative at this session expressed firm support for the Soviet Union's constructive proposals on disarmament, which were reflected in the recent message by L.I. Brezhnev. These proposals are of major significance in preserving international peace and security.

Shah Mohammad Dost described as straightforward the talks that took place between the Afghan and Pakistani delegations as a result of the efforts of Diego Cordovez, representative of the UN secretary general. The Afghan delegation, while preserving the DRA Government's foreign policy principles, showed flexibility during the talks. The opposing side also showed a measure of flexibility. During the talks, issues concerned with procedure were generally solved and the actual issues were also discussed.

The DRA expressed support for the efforts of the UN secretary general and his representative Diego Cordovez, which prepared the ground for the talks between the two sides on a comprehensive solution of the issue.

Shah Mohammad Dost said that in light of the Geneva talks the DRA Government will continue its sincere efforts toward a political solution of the matter.

SOVIETS REPORTEDLY WITHDRAW FROM PANJSHER

BK061340 Hong Kong AFP in English 1252 GMT 6 Jul 82

[Text] New Delhi, July 6 (AFP) -- Soviet ground troops have been withdrawn from the strategic Panjsher Valley, 100 kms (60 miles) north of Kabul, following a futile Afghan Government offensive to dislodge the Moslem rebels entrenched there, Western diplomatic sources said here today.

The offensive, aided by several columns of armored troops and Soviet air strength spearheaded by SU-25 ground attack aircraft, high explosive parachute bombs and heavy artillery, failed to dislodge the rebels.

The diplomats quoted eye-witness accounts estimating the total strength of Soviet-Afghan troops sent to Panjsher at 12,000.

Independent confirmation of the Soviet withdrawal came from Asian diplomatic sources, who said, however, that there were tactical reasons for it.

The offensive began on May 17 and was one of numerous attempts by the government of Babrak Karmal to clear the valley. Indeed it was considered one of the most serious attempts made since the Soviet troops entered Afghanistan in December 1979.

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GOVERNMENT CALLS ON REBELS TO SURRENDER

LD071820 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 7 Jul 82

[Statement issued by the Government of the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan -- date not given]

[Text] The victories of the glorious April Revolution, particularly its new development stage, in our ancient, free and independent land have opened the way for our people to a prosperous and glorious (?future). The revolution brought our country onto the path of profound socioeconomic and political changes. The struggling, Muslim and working people of our homeland, from the very dawn of the national democratic revolution which was the product of long struggle, determination and the aspiration of the millions of workers of our homeland, rose in complete support under the leadership of the PDPA and helped toward the realization of its aims and began the work of struggle.

International criminal imperialism, headed by U.S. imperialism and Chinese hegemonism and in collusion with internal and regional reaction, shamelessly embarked on direct and open interference in the domestic affairs of our revolutionary country. In the disguise of so-called defense of Islam, they committed and are committing many crimes against our people and revolution. They send their mercenary groups and criminal spies to our revolutionary homeland. In the last 2 years these infiltrated killers, armed and supported by international reaction, have burned about 1,500 schools; destroyed hundreds of buildings and bridges; terrorized or killed a large number of peasants who had received land; terrorized or killed a large number of teachers who were giving the benefit of their knowledge and literacy to the sons of this land; and terrorized or killed a large number of patriots who were accomplishing their revolutionary tasks.

Therefore, our revolutionary government has taken, and is taking, decisive measures to end the savage actions of the mercenary servant bands. Our noble compatriots know that our heroic armed forces, helped by the working people of Panjsher, destroyed the nests of rebels in that valley which, according to the enemies and the rebels themselves, were invincible. They have crushed a large number of these thieves and professional lunatics, who were disrupting the peaceful life of the inhabitants of Panjsher District. Large numbers of them were captured and a great quantity of weapons and equipment was seized from the stores and hideouts of the counterrevolutionaries.

The security forces of the DRA have proved that they are in control of Panjsher Valley. They defeated the thieves and plunderers, who were hiding in caves in order to disrupt the lives of the people; they have reopened the doors of schools and mosques and have prepared, and are preparing, the conditions for a normal and peaceful life for the inhabitants of Panjsher District.

Our enemies have sustained a shattering blow in Panjsher. They have realized the consolidation of state power and the strength of our heroic armed forces. Now the hands of plunderers and looters have been removed from public property and no one will be given the opportunity any longer to loot our country's natural resources, which belong to our working people, and give them to their masters and their traitorous leaders. The inhabitants of Panjsher District, who have witnessed the criminal nature of these lunatics and who have suffered oppression at their hands, are now determined to stand on the side of the armed forces, the security forces and the party activists and defend their lands.

Of course, the poisonous propaganda from Western sources distort the facts concerning our revolutionary country, including Panjsher District. The fact is that people's power has been consolidated in Panjsher, the army has won a great victory and the enemies of the revolution have been defeated.

Shameless interference by international imperialism and the savage crimes of counterrevolutionary elements have not been able, and are not able, to turn our working people and the DRA Government away from the path they have chosen.

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ISRAELI CONSUL DECLARED PERSONA NON GRATA

BK081602 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 8 Jul 82

[Text] The Israeli consul in Bombay has been declared persona non grata and asked to leave the country within 48 hours. An official spokesman of the External Affairs Ministry told newsmen in New Delhi today that the consul, Yosef Hasin, has been declared persona non grata for making highly objectionable statements in a press interview which are not in consonance with his consular functions. The interview, which was published in the Sunday OBSERVER last week, constitutes an unacceptable interference in the domestic affairs of the country. The decision was conveyed to Hasin by Chief Secretary of the Maharashtra Government P.G. Gavai. Hasin has been in India for about 2 and 1/2 years.

GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS CLOSING ISRAELI CONSULATE

BK090931 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0830 GMT 9 Jul 82

[Text] External Affairs Minister Narasimha Rao told the Rajya Sabha today that the demand for the closure of the Israeli Consulate in Bombay is under serious consideration of the government. Replying to questions, he said there were strong demands for closing down the consulate. Rao said that the decision to expel the present Israeli consul was the result of certain activities which are against the code of conduct governing diplomats.

Rao informed the house that an amount of 1 million rupees in foreign exchange is being handed over to the Lebanese Government. He said India is in touch with the PLO ambassador in New Delhi and has already dispatched medicines and will continue to render all assistance.

The minister said that India has taken initiative for the settlement of Israel-Lebanon war. He said India has urged immediate implementation of the Security Council's resolution demanding Israel's withdrawal and total cessation of hostilities.

Prime Minister Mrs Gandhi is to make a statement in the Lok Sabha this afternoon on the crisis created by the Israeli aggression in Lebanon. This was announced by Speaker Balram Jakhar. As soon as the house assembled, some members referred to the explosive situation in Lebanon and sought a discussion.

INDIAN MP CITES WAN LI ON SINO-INDIAN RELATIONS

OW062004 Hong Kong AFP in English 1944 GMT 6 Jul 82

[Text] New Delhi, July 6 (AFP) -- Chinese Vice-Premier Wan Li is said to have expressed the hope of better relations with India.

An opposition Congress Party member of Parliament, Suresh Kalmadi, who has been a member of an Indian athletic delegation which toured China recently, told a press conference today at Poona, western India, that they had a meeting with Mr. Wan when he made the remarks.

According to a Press Trust of India (PTI) dispatch, Mr. Kalmadi quoted the Chinese leader as having suggested that regular exchange of sports and cultural teams would greatly help normalisation of relations between the two countries.

He said his impression was that China was desirous of resurrecting the popular slogan of the fifties (before the 1962 Sino-Indian border war) of "Hindi-Chini bhai, bhai " (Indians and Chinese are brothers), with an eye on the leadership of the Third World countries.

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EXPELLED ISRAELI DIPLOMAT LEAVES BOMBAY

BK110800 Delhi Domestic Service in English 0830 GMT 11 Jul 82

[Text] Israeli Consul in Bombay Yosef Hasin left Bombay early today. He was declared persona non grata by the government. The announcement last Thursday followed an interview given by him to a Sunday paper of Bombay.

GANDHI ASSAILS ISRAELI ACTIONS IN LEBANON

BK091349 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1230 GMT 9 Jul 82

[Text] The prime minister has called upon nations which are in a position to influence Israel to take immediate steps for getting the siege of west Beirut lifted. Steps should also be taken to ensure withdrawal of Israeli troops to their own territory.

In a statement in Parliament today, Mrs Gandhi said after this immediate objective is achieved negotiations must begin for a just, comprehensive and durable solution acceptable to all concerned. Amidst cheers she said such a solution must ensure the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of Lebanon and the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people -- including their right to an independent state.

Strongly condemning the unprovoked Israeli invasion of Lebanon and the brutal killings of Lebanese and Palestinian civilians, the prime minister said this has aroused deep anguish and revulsion in the entire world community, including people within the United States as we . as Israel itself.

Mrs Gandhi deplored that the efforts of the international community to secure vacation of aggression have made no progress as Israel continues to defy counsels of restraint. It has callously ignored the unanimous resolutions adopted by the Security Council and a resolution adopted by the special session of the United Nations General Assembly.

The prime minister said India had taken every initiative in the matter. She had personally written to several heads of state, including President Reagan, President Brezhnev and President Mitterrand. Mrs Gandhi feared that Beirut could well be totally destroyed and its population annihilated if the Israeli blockade continues. Many hundred thousand residents are totally deprived of essential supplies of water, electricity, food and medical assistance. The cease-fire is fragile and precarious.

Mrs Gandhi said Israel will be well advised to pay heed to the growing worldwide vocal concern, including the voices of thousands of its own people, who have demonstrated against the invasion of Lebanon.

GANDHI: HEAVY WATER PRODUCTION TO DOUBLE

BK021717 Delhi Domestic Service in English 1530 GMT 2 Jul 82

[Excerpt] The prime minister has said that technical problems responsible for delays in heavy water plants have been identified. These are being rectified to raise production of this crucial nuclear material. Mrs Gandhi was speaking at the consultative committee of members of Parliament attached to the Departments of Space, Atomic Energy, Electronics, Science and Technology, Environment and Ocean Development. The meeting of the committee was held in New Delhi today.

Mrs Gandhi said the Kota heavy water plant will start producing reactor-grade heavy water before the end of the year. A target of 80 tons has been set for the production of heavy water by March 1983. The current production is 45 tons.

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FOREIGN MINISTER DOST RECEIVES SRV AMBASSADOR

GF121912 Kabul International Service in Arabic 1700 GMT 12 Jul 82

[Text] DRA Foreign Minister Shah Mohammad Dost received in his office yesterday SRV Ambassador Nguyen Sy Hoat, who presented a report on the communique issued by the foreign ministers of Laos, Kampuchea and the SRV during their sixth conference which was held in Hanoi on 7 July 1982.

Shah Mohammad Dost hailed the communique and affirmed that it will help resolve the issue of the region and create a favorable, peaceful and cordial atmosphere among Laos, Kampuchea and the SRV. The DRA foreign minister also hailed the efforts of the citizens and governments in Laos, Kampuchea and SRV for construction and progress and said that the DRA people and state will stand alongside them in their struggle against aggression, imperialist hegemonic interference and reaction in the region.

Shah Mohammad Dost spoke about the fraternal relations between the DRA and SRV and said that they will continue in the interest of the peoples of the two countries and international peace.

MUJAHIDIN KILL SOVIET OFFICERS, COMMUNISTS

GF081224 Karachi NAWA-I-WAQT in Urdu 30 Jun 82 p 10

[Text] London, 28 Jun (AAP) -- Afghan mujahidin killed four Afghan communist prostitutes, three Soviet officers and 14 Afghan communists at (Shah Wali Kot) near Qandahar city on 15 June.

Upon receiving intelligence reports that six Khalq faction members belonging to the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan, one police officer and three Soviet military officers had arrived at (Shah Wali Kot) to have some fun, along with four prostitutes imported from Kabul, who also belonged to the ruling party, the mujahidin attacked the building in which the party was staying and after killing Karmal guards around the building they dispatched the women, the Soviet officers and their communist friends.

In all, the mujahidin killed 31 persons in this raid. The mujahidin also captured seven Kalashnikov rifles and a quantity of ammunition.

REBELS DESTROY IRRIGATION WORKS HEADQUARTERS

GF121841 Karachi JASARAT in Urdu 5 Jul 82 p 8

[Excerpt] London, 4 July (AAP) -- The Afghan freedom fighters have completely destroyed the official headquarters of the huge irrigation project at Charikar, 35 km northwest of Kabul. They also destroyed a number of tanks and killed the guards around the irrigation works.

According to reports received, a group of mujahidin from the Islamic Alliance of Afghan Freedom Fighters (Ettehad-e Eslami) shelled the four buildings of the headquarters and destroyed six tanks and two jeeps guarding it. They also killed 36 Karmal soldiers along with several Parcham party members inside the buildings.

The Charikar irrigation project was begun 8 years ago.

During the attack eight Parcham party members surrendered to the mujahidin while the others were killed by the shelling. The mujahidin also captured 6 mortars, 11 cases of Kalashnikov rifles and 10,000 rounds of ammunition. Only three guerrillas were killed during the attack.

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COUNCIL OF MINISTERS REVIEWS FOOD, FUEL SUPPLY

LD132008 Kabul Domestic Service in Pashto 1530 GMT 13 Jul 82

[Text] The Coordinating Bureau of the Council of Ministers' Department of Cooperation reports that the 12 July session of the DRA Council of Ministers was chaired by Soltan 'Ali Keshtmand, chairman of the Council of Ministers, at the council's headquarters. According to the agenda, the meeting discussed and made decisions on the proposals of ministries and departments.

In connection with maintaining the people's material needs, the Council of Ministers' Executive Committee made a series of important decisions concerning the stability of wholesale and retail prices, industrial production and primary consumer goods prices and implementation of the decisions against price increases in the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan.

According to this decision, the department for procurement of foodstuffs and silos, the Afghan vegetable company, the department of consumer goods cooperative development and other state and cooperative departments under the Ministry of Commerce and the union of cooperatives of the DRA farmers were obligated to provide the public's needs in agricultural production and to supply them for sale through state shops.

The relevant government departments have been instructed to prepare the method of sale of industrial goods, taking into consideration commercial requirements, fixed retail prices and the (?trade-marking) of the goods, in order to more easily control the prices of goods and so that the consumers, with confidence in quality and quantity, may obtain the goods they need. The relevant departments from time to time fix the prices of the main consumer and industrial goods and, after approval, publish them for the information of the people.

The Council of Ministers' Executive Committee commissioned the DRA Economic Advisory Council to attempt the pricing of industrial production and commercial goods of the private sector, taking into consideration the principle of avoiding (?unfair) profit, and to struggle against the storage of goods for the purpose of embezzlement.

The Executive Committee ordered the relevant state departments to prepare proposals for fixing the prices of wholesale and retail goods, taking into consideration the just norms and avoiding fraud.

The Council of Ministers' resolution instructs the department of foodstuffs and silos to increase the production of bread in Kabul, and to sell it in all wards of Kabul city through their commercial network at its fixed price. Kabul municipality, with the cooperation of social organizations, is to control the fixed price of bread in the private sector.

The Council of Ministers' Executive Committee made a decision concerning stability of the price of meat in Kabul city. It has ordered the Ministry of Commerce to import a fixed amount of chicken and meat to distribute to the citizens through state shops at a fair price.

The Council of Ministers' Executive Committee also discussed the need to avoid the use of wood for fuel, in order to protect the greenery of the country and to avoid extra expenditure of electric energy. It has ordered that a sufficient quantity of liquid gas should be imported from the Soviet Union and should be supplied, under suitable and easy conditions, first to Kabul citizens and at a later stage to other main cities of the country.

The Council of Ministers' Executive Committee decided that the DRA Government, by utilizing all possibilities, is making efforts in accordance with the progressive and popular policy of the PDPA and the instructions of Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA Central Committee and chairman of the DRA Revolutionary Council, to provide the necessary facilities for supplying the people with primary consumer goods at fair prices, and is fruitfully fulfilling the needs of the dear compatriots.

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LD141413 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1038 GMT 14 Jul 82

[Text] According to a report by the Central News Unit, following the victorious operations launched by the army of Islam against the aggressive Iraqi regime, Imam Khomeyni, the leader of the Islamic revolution of Iran and commander in chief, issued a message addressed to the oppressed and imprisoned Iraqi nation and the combatants of Islam. The text of the message of the imam of the nation is as follows:

In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. Oppressed and imprisoned Iraqi nation, beloved and respectable oppressed and tortured people of Mesopotamia: Now that your crusading [mojahed] brothers, in defense of their homeland in foiling the attacks of the enemy of Islam, have been compelled to come into Iraqi territory so that God, the most exalted, may save the oppressed Iraqi nation from the evil of a party which in the course of its illegitimate domination over this Islamic country has dealt such blows at this noble nation that they cannot be counted; [now that] great ulema such as the great source [of emulation] Ayatollah Hakim, may his grave be sanctified, are forced into isolation at home by the inhumane oppression and pressure of this blasphemous party or with a broken heart have neared God's blessings [have died], or such as the oppressed martyr, the learned scholar Ayatollah as-Sadr and his honorable sister, have sacrificed their lives under the torture of the executioners of the 'Aflaqite Saddam; [now that] many of the beloved brave Iraqi youths have spent their lives in jail under torture and have finally rushed to meet God at the hands of this party; [now that] for about 2 years they [the Saddamists] have been attacking the Islamic Republic on the charge of being Islamic, while they are a credit to the Mongols and have sacrificed thousands of Iraqi and Iranian youths who were the wealth of their nations, for whims and fancies, you are more familiar with the crimes committed by this party and Saddam this supercriminal. Rise up and shake the hands of Islamic brotherhood with your sincere brothers and push this oppressive government out of the arena and you yourselves, through your own decision, from the ideal Islamic governmen

Beloved Iraqi nation, now that your brothers have come to you with self-sacrifice and are ready to give their lives in order to guard their homeland and to save their beloved imprisoned brothers, rise up and with inspiration from the great Islam attack the enemies of Islam, because your beloved brothers and the honorable Iranian nation are coming to the fronts, from behind the fronts and with the help of your beloved ones the Iranian brothers will excise these cancerous tumours from the body of this Islamic country and will make the noble Iraqi nation govern their destiny.

O you, the zealous inhabitants of Basra, welcome your faithful brothers and cut short the oppressive hands of the blasphemous 'Aflaqites from your land.

O you, the respectable inhabitants of holy shrines; O you, zealous youths who have attacked these filthy ones at every opportunity, use the opportunity offered to you by God and rise up in a manly way and make your own destiny.

O you, the militarymen who are caught by a blasphemous party which sends your youths to slaughterhouses for its fanciful whims, our brothers have come to save you and with self-sacrifice and reliance on the Almighty they will send this oppressive and blasphemous regime to hell.

You, the imprisoned beloved ones, rise up and with the help of your Iranian brothers save yourselves and your homeland and do not let the destiny of your country be determined in the United States.

You, beloved Iranian youths and brothers, rush to the aid of your combative brothers, as this moment is one of the most delicate destiny-making moments. Either victory for Islam over the 'Aflaqite blasphemy or, Heaven forbid, if there is weakness or negligence, the defeat of Islam and the disgrace of the nation forever. It will be a disaster if you zealous youths are disgraced.

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KABUL REPORTS REBELS 'CRUSHED' IN PAGHMAN

LD101710 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 10 Jul 82

[Text] A large number of the counterrevolutionaries -- enemies of the people, the homeland and the revolution -- have recently been crushed in Paghman District by the armed forces and the sarandoy with the cooperation of the patriotic people of Paghman. As a result, some 200 criminals were arrested and 4 of their ringleaders were eliminated.

The BAKHTAR correspondent, on the basis of statements issued by the security forces, reports that some two (Zigodo), four large-calibre machineguns, a number of antitank and antipersonnel mines, hundreds of various light weapons, rocket launchers and 19,000 rounds of ammunition have been seized.

The correspondent also reports that the working and noble people of Paghman District along with the officers and men of the armed forces, the sarandoy and of the revolution guards held a glorious meeting on the occasion of crushing these murderers who endangered the peaceful life of the people of this district.

At this meeting Mer Saheb Karwal, head of the Central Zone, conveyed the greetings and best wishes of Babrak Karmal, general secretary of the PDPA Central Committee and chairman of the DRA Revolution Council, to the noble and working people of Paghman and said: The PDPA and the DRA Government have resolutely decided to rebuild as soon as possible what has been destroyed by the rebels and to secure a peaceful life for you.

The secretary of the Kabul provincial party committee, the Kabul governor, and officer of the armed forces and a member of the revolution guards spoke in turn at the meeting.

(Golabuddin), an inhabitant of (Chandal-Bayee), Paghman District, then spoke on behalf of the noble and working people of the district and expressed their desire for the implementation of the lofty objectives of the revolution.

At the end of the meeting, the noble and working people of Paghman, carrying national flags and party banners, marched in the streets chanting the slogans: Death to the rebels! Death to the enemies of the revolution! Victory to the revolution! Ahead for the complete elimination of the rebels!

According to another report, after the march goods were distributed to the noble and working people of Paghman.

PDPA, GOVERNMENT DELEGATION VISITS PAGHMAN

LD142014 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 14 Jul 82

[Text] An important DRA party and government delegation today visited various locations in the Paghman District about the restoration and repair of this summer resort for citizens of Kabul.

The delegation, led by Mer Saheb Karwal, head of the Central Zone; Satar Pordeli, chairman of the trade unions; Abdol Ghafar Lakanwal, chairman of the peasants cooperatives; Dr Nabi Kamyar, minister of public health; cultural group of the Ministry of Information and Culture; the secretary of the provincial party committee; the governor of Kabul; the administrative president of the Council of Ministers; and heads of antiaccident, rural development departments and Afghan Red Crescent Society, has visited various locations in this region.

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RELIGIOUS LEADERS URGE SUPPORT FOR ARMED FORCES

LD222002 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 22 Jul 82

[Text] In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. Here is a message from the Department of Islamic Affairs and the Supreme Council of the Ulema and religious leaders of the DRA to the armed forces and to all the Muslim and faithful people of Afghanistan:

The courageous troops and heroic officers of the Afghan Army: We hear and read about your continuing heroism and victories against the enemies of the revolution, of the religion, of the homeland and of the people of Afghanistan, on the radio, television and other mass media.

The Muslim people of Afghanistan are proud to have heroic and courageous sons like you who, with pride and courage, are performing your sacred military service in the ranks of the armed forces. You have pledged yourselves to the complete extinction of the counterrevolutionary elements -- these enemies of the honor and grace of the people of Afghanistan -- and at this very moment are serving under the proud (?banner) of the DRA. All the religious leaders and ulema raise the hands in prayer before Almighty God and we pray that He will keep you in His care and bestow upon you still more victories.

Mothers, fathers, sisters and brothers: The DRA Department of Islamic Affairs, the Supreme Council of the Ulema and the religious leaders are addressing you. We sincerely congratulate you too because of the victories of your sons serving in the armed forces. We ask you to encourage and assist your sons to continue their service in the ranks of the armed forces until complete and final victory, because your sons, in the ranks of the DRA Armed Forces, are defending the interests of [word indistinct] of Afghanistan, the interests of the workers, peasants and other toilers of the country. Your sons are defending the April Revolution and its new development stage as a result of which the toiling people of our country were freed from the oppressive regime of feudalists, money-lenders and arrogant, godless people.

In our country, where right wins over wrong, where the counterrevolutionaries -- these slanderous mask-wearers of Islam -- are going through the last agonies of death under the fatal blows of the heroic Afghan Army, sacred service in the armed forces is the duty of every Muslim individual in Afghanistan, because we ulema and the religious leaders of Afghanistan completely believe that our people are behind this duty and are encouraging their sons to continue the sacred service in the Armed Forces of the DRA. By performing this noble and patriotic deed, on the one hand they are making Almighty God happy and, on the other hand, they are performing their duties before the homeland, the people and the revolution.

The Muslim and toiling people of Afghanistan should know that indifference to the enemies of the faith and homeland, indifference to those who have hypocritically worn the mask of Islam but kill our innocent people, massacre our women, old men, youths and children, plunder the property and belongings of our people, destroy bridges and roads, set fire to schools and mosques and even have no mercy on the holy Koran, which is a book from Almighty God and a guidance to the Muslims of the world, indifference to all this is not (?admissible), and being indifferent to the crimes of the rebels means being a party to their crimes.

We, the religious leaders and ulema of the Islamic Affairs Department, the Supreme Council of the Ulema and religious leaders of the DRA, consider the best way to fight against the rebels, against those alien to Islam, is to serve in the ranks of the Armed Forces of Afghanistan.

The religious leaders and ulema of the Department of Islamic Affairs, the Supreme Council of the DRA Ulema and religious leaders ask you patriotic, toiling and Muslim compatriots to join hands and devote all your strength to broadening and strengthening your national army.

Success verily comes from God.

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LD262030 Kabul Domestic Service in Dari 1600 GMT 26 Jul 82

[Statement by Maj Gen Baba Jan, chief of General Staff of the DRA Armed Forces, addressed to soldiers and officers of the armed forces "to help coordinate further the ranks of these guardians of the revolution" -- live or recorded]

[Text] Dear noble compatriots: Since the beginning of the victory of the glorious April Revolution, relying on the powerful strength of the millions-strong toiling masses of the country, the DRA Armed Forces have courageously and bravely defended the revolution and its gains and have exterminated great strongholds of the [words indistinct] rebels. Their self-sacrifice and courage have been responsible for the cleansing of our sacred homeland from the existence of these agents of reaction and thugs. [5-second break in transmission] in the service of the toilers, who are (?deprived) of the April Revolution, national independence and the unity, territorial integrity and sovereignty of the country.

The revolutionary process in our proud homeland [word indistinct] that the powerful armed forces of our country have been able to carry out with complete success their obligations and duties to the people, the revolution and the homeland. Heroism, self-sacrifice and militancy characterize the personnel of the DRA Armed Forces, and the heroic troops of our armed forces have accomplished deeds in the struggle against our class enemies that have added pride to the rich honor of our people.

The bands of counterrevolutionaries, supported by international imperialism, headed by U.S. and Chinese hegemonism, embark on murder, plunder, looting, and the destruction of public utilities. They are disrupting the peaceful life of our noble and toiling people and, by resorting to inhuman and savage actions, they want to slow down the process of the development of the revolution. But these reactionary forces cannot stop the trend of the society's development.

To implement the lofty aims of the April Revolution, which have been categorically explained in the PDPA action program, it is necessary first of all to maintain lasting, complete and all-round peace throughout the country. The PDPA and the DRA Government pay great attention to affairs concerning the all-round consolidation of the DRA Armed Forces and to the enhancement of their combatreadiness and capability. They put special emphasis on the transformation of the armed forces into a reliable (?source) for the defense of revolution and its gains and into loyal and true servants of our noble and toiling people.

Under the present conditions, every loyal and patriotic citizen of our homeland and the courageous youths must be prepared to serve in the armed forces and still further strengthen and consolidate the ranks of these reliable guardians of the revolution, and by joining in the ranks of our heroic armed forces carry out their revolutionary and national duty to our persecuted and oppressed compatriots.

Service in the militant ranks of the DRA Armed Forces is an honor for every noble citizen of Afghanistan. The (?toilers) of the independent, proud and free Afghanistan, by serving in the armed forces, show themselves to be true (?defenders) against their class enemies, because it is seen that the courageous people of the DRA are fighting courageously against the blood-devouring agents of U.S. imperialism and its collaborators in order to build a prosperous society. On this path they do not spare any sacrifice and they stay loyal to their last breath.

Our revolution has been earned with a very high price [brief interruption in transmission] and do not let the defeated counterrevolutionary enemies and their supporters extend their unclean hands to our sacred land or disrupt the peaceful life of our compatriots.

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PDPA PLENUM ON 'IDEOLOGICAL MATTERS' HELD

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[Text] The Ninth PDPA Central Committee Plenum on ideological matters and strengthening political work among the masses was held this morning at the Delkosha Palace of the Revolution Council headquarters.

The BAKHTAR correspondent reported from the plenum proceedings that Babrak Karmal, PDPA Central Committee general secretary and chairman of the DRA Revolution Council Presidium, arrived at 0900 this morning in the meeting hall and was welcomed warmly with continuous applause by the meeting participants. Afterwards Babrak Karmal officially opened the plenum's work.

At the start of the plenum's work, Dr Saleh Mohammad Ziray, Politburo member and PDPA Central Committee secretary, chaired the meeting and, after putting the agenda and procedure of the plenum's work to a vote, which was approved unanimously, asked Babrak Karmal to deliver the basic statement of the Ninth PDPA Central Committee Plenum in relation to ideological matters and strengthening of political work among the masses.

The BAKHTAR correspondent added that when Babrak Karmal delivered the basic statement, the plenum participants welcomed and approved each part of it.

At the second stage of the plenum's work, chaired by Nur Ahmad Nur, Politburo member and PDPA Central Committee secretary, (?six) full and candidate members of the Central Committee and Council of Ministers delivered speeches concerning the basic statement of the plenum and firmly approved it.

At the end of the speeches, the Ninth PDPA Central Committee Plenum draft resolution, the text of which was previously distributed to participants in the plenum's work, was put to a vote and unanimously approved.

Resolution Adopted

LD280634 Kabul BAKHTAR in English 0433 GMT 28 Jul 82

[Text] Kabul, July 27, BAKHTAR -- The 9th extended Plenum of the Central Committee of the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan was held here today to discuss the ideological questions and issues related to the strengthening of the political work among the masses at the headquarters of the Revolutionary Council.

The plenum was held in two sessions, the first being presided over by Dr Saleh Mohammad Ziray. The main speech of the plenum was delivered by Babrak Karmal in the 1st session which was enthusiastically welcomed by all the participants of the plenum.

The second session of the plenum was presided over by Nur Ahmad Nur, member of the Politburo and secretary of the Central Committee of the PDPA CC. In this portion of the plenum six members and alternate members of the Central Committee of the PDPA and Council of Ministers of the DRA decisively endorsed the contents of the main speech delivered by Babrak Karmal.

Later, the plenum adopted a resolution which reads in part:

"The main content of political work amongst the masses is constituted by propaganda, extension and explaining in greater depth the policies of the party and the state of the DRA, the essence of military, economic, social and cultural measures, and the documents of country-wide party conference, exposing anti-people activity, slanders and false allegations and the hostile propaganda of the enemy."

"The political activity of the party amongst the masses must be inseparably linked with consistent and constant carrying out of socio-economic transformations in the interests of the masses.

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CENTRAL COMMITTEE SECRETARIAT DISCUSSES PLENUM

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[Read by announcer]

[Text] PDPA Central Committee Secretariat members held a meeting this morning in the PDPA Central Committee headquarters concerning the resolutions of the Ninth Central Committee Plenum.

Central Committee members, zone heads, provincial party committee secretaries, heads of the security force's political departments, officials of the social organizations, [word indistinct] of the Central Committee and province governors attended today's meeting.

Nur Ahmad Nur, Politburo member and PDPA Central Committee secretary, officially opened the meeting. Some of the officials and deputy heads of Central Committee departments then spoke about duties laid before the party by the plenum and ways of solving problems and shortcomings in the work of party committees.

Addressing the comrades attending the meeting Nur Ahmad Nur said at the end of today's working session:

Present and historical events in the country have given us the formidable task of defending the workers' and peasants' revolutionary sovereignty, to accomplish revolutionary transformations, to build a new society and social justice (?under the leadership) of the groups guiding the revolution, that is, the party's Central Committee, Revolutionary Council, Council of Ministers, officials of zones and provincial party committees.

Nur Ahmad Nur added: Despite the lapse of 2 years and some months and the experience of fraternal (?masses), shortcomings and weaknesses still exist in the work of party committees.

It is the duty of party committee secretaries to raise the level of responsibilities of the committees' department directors and their level of work [word indistinct] to the level of new party lines. We must organize work in accordance with the plan for building a new society.

Not only should we plan work but we should organize careful control and implementation of the plan. Security discipline and control of party organs, distribution of duties in the committees, planning work and controlling the implementation of the plan will help us in the direction of accomplishing revolutionary duties.

The session will also continue (?tomorrow) to consider the duties newly created by the plenum and the specific duties of the party committees for the implementation of the resolutions of the Ninth PDPA Central Committee Plenum.

AFP REPORTS DETAILS ON CENTRAL COMMITTEE PLENUM

BK281109 Hong Kong AFP in English 1044 GMT 28 Jul 82

[By Dilip Ganguly]

[Text] New Delhi, July 28 (AFP) -- Afghanistan's state-owned Kabul radio last night did not report the speech made by Soviet-backed President Babrak Karmal at the Ninth Plenum of the Ruling People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan (PDPA).

The plenum ended in Kabul on Tuesday night with a call for party unity, the spreading of party ideology among the masses and respect for religious and traditional values.

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SOVIET TROOPS 'PUNISHING' VILLAGERS IN LOWGAR

PM291117 Stockholm DAGENS NYHETER in Swedish 27 Jul 82 p 3

[Eva Hernback report: "The Soviet Union is Destroying Whole Villages"]

[Excerpt] In a large valley in Lowgar Province, immediately south of the capital of Kabul, six Afghan villages have recently been destroyed, razed to the ground. The six villages that no longer exist were called (Muhammad Agha, Baraki, Sajawond, Ab-Dara, Barak) and (Pad-Khab).

Reports speak of 2,000 civilian villagers and 200 armed resistance fighters killed. There are no figures for the numbers wounded. The attack came completely without warning, which is the reason why so many people died.

The report comes from Afghan exile organizations in the city of Peshawar, in neighboring Pakistan. A team of French doctors is making its way to the area and will eventually be able to report what they have seen.

Carl Schonmeyr, vice chairman of the Swedish Afghanistan Committee and an official with SIDA [Swedish International Development Authority] by profession, has just returned from Peshawar, where people he knows well and trusts told him of the major Soviet attack in Lowgar Province around 3 weeks ago.

Schonmeyr lived and worked in Afghanistan for 3 years as a UNICEF official. He has also worked in Pakistan. He has a passable knowledge of the local language, Dari.

The reports he has had of the attack on the villages in Lowgar are indicative of new military tactics on the part of the Russians, he said. They are now destroying whole villages as punishment for the civilian population's support for Muslim guerrillas. He estimated the population of the villages affected at between 5,000 and 10,000 each.

"The attack happened like this," Carl Schonmeyr said. "Units approached the valley from three directions -- from Kabul in the north and from Ghazni and Gardez in the south. First, the villages were bombed by MiG's and the population was fired upon by helicopters. After the bombing the troops moved in, mixed units, that is, Russian and Afghan Government units.

"First came the Afghan troops, behind them the Soviets, so the Afghans could not retreat. The Afghan soldiers shot at everything left alive in the villages -- people, mules, chickens ....Then they plundered and destroyed what was left of value, burned the fields and demolished the underground irrigation system that makes agriculture possible in the sweltering climate. This means the villages will be uninhabitable for a long time to come."

The reason for the attack on the villages in Lowgar is to be found in the constant guerrilla attacks on the strategically important stretch of road between Kabul and Qandahar. The road is vital. It is part of a major highway that crosses the whole country, and it is no longer secure for Afghan Government and Soviet occupation forces.

Carl Schonmeyr was in Peshawar as a representative of the Swedish Afghanistan Committee. He was seeking contact with Afghan organizations that could be possible channels for Swedish aid to Afghanistan. The committee has collected money for this end but is also preparing a request for economic assistance from SIDA, the Foreign Ministry and the Swedish Red Cross.